Commission. Apart from CWC, there are sixteen SWCs operating in sixteen different States of the country. SWCs have proposals to construct storing capacity of 3.285 lakh tonnes and 3.198 lakh tonnes during the years 1999-2000 and 2000- 2001 respectively.

PDS Quota of Edible Oil for Assam

1688. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quota of edible oil fixed for 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 for Assam for distribution through Public Distribution System;

(b) the details of actual release of quota during 1999-2000; and

(c) the details of demand made by Assam Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD): (a) to (c) No quota is fixed by Central Government for States/Union Territories with regard to allocation of imported edible oils for supply through the Public Distribution system. Allocation is made on the basis of requests from State Governments. In January, 1999, the Government of Assam had intimated "nil" demand for imported edible oils for the calendar year 1999. Hence, no allocation was made to Assam for that period. In December, 1999, all States/Union Territories, indcluding Assam, were requested to intimate their requirements for the calendar year 2000. No reply has so far been received from the Government of Assam.

Hasty Deal by Super Bazar, Delhi

1689. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item appearing in the Indian Express dated 23th February, 2000 under the caption "Why Delhi's Super Bazar hurried to seal a deal in just 12 hours";

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any investigation has been conducted into this and other affairs of the Super Bazar, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER

AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD): (a) to (c) A Departmental Inquiry has already been conducted by the Chief Vigilance Officer, Super Bazar, into the matter. This case, along with six other cases, has been referred to CBI for investigation.

Revamping PDS in Orissa

1690. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK : Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a need to revamp Public Distribution System in the cyclone affected districts of Orissa;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in that regard;

(c) whether additional allocation of rice, wheat and kerosene is proposed to be made to that State in the year 2000; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFARIS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHRIRAM CHAUHAN): (a) and (b) It was reported that there was disruption for some time in the normal functioning of Public Distribution System (PDS) due to devasting cyclone which hit coastal areas of Orissa in October, 1999. PDS in cyclone affected districts has now been restored to near normal by State Government.

There is no need for revamping of PDS only in cyclone affected districts in Orissa.

(c) and (d) A quantity of 3,50,038 tonnes of rice and 50,000 tonnes of wheat has been allotted to Government of Orissa at BPL rates for distribution to cyclone affected population in the 14 affected districts.

Additional allocation of Kerosene was also made to Orissa for the people affected by the cyclone, as demanded/requested by the State Government.

Standardising Mineral water

1691. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have enforced mandatory ISI mark for mineral water throughout the country, particularly in the national capital;